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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant form (PTO/SB/08B).

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed to cite an Office Action mailed on March 30, 2004, in Japanese Patent Appln. No. 1998-338011, which is a counterpart to the instant case. Since the Office Action is in Japanese, a complete English translation also has been provided.

The Japanese Office Action applied Japanese Laid-Open Patent Appln. No. 10-217509; JP 10-217509 already is of record in this application, having been cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 24, 2004. Furthermore, an

English-language counterpart to JP 10-217509, European Patent Appln. 854 043, also is already

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